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With this issue THE CAUCASIAN begins its seventeenth volume. THE CAUCASIAN takes this means of expressing its thanks to its thousands of subscribers who have given it loyal support in the future and hope that it will retain the large circle of readers it has at present enjoyed. During the coming year THE CAUCASIAN will continue to give its readers all the news of importance—both State and National—comment upon the leading topics of the day and continue its fight for reforms politically, socially, and justly, but fearlessly, condemn or approve the actions of the public officials in high or low places. During the year new features and more reading matter will be added. A Children's Column will be begun with the first issue in January, also a column devoted to women. The farmers will find many valuable suggestions in a column that will be added especially for them. A number of our subscribers' time will expire during this month and we trust they will all renew at once and also send us one new yearly subscriber when renewing.

### STATE THE FACTS OR BE SILENT.

The Wilmington Star, in a recent issue since the election, says:

"Marion Butler's term as Senator expires March 4th, 1901, and he has been playing his game to keep control of the situation so as to secure re-election two years hence. This was why he helped to put up that job wherein the Populist leaders agreed to hold themselves ready to co-operate with the Democratic party, or any party or with any faction of any party that would agree to certain conditions, one of these conditions being that the Populists be guaranteed all the offices State and Federal which they now hold. This would be equivalent to a pledge by the Democratic party to re-elect Marion Butler Senator to succeed himself."

In the first place the Star misrepresents the proposition of the People's Party for a co-operation of the same silver forces that joined hands and carried the State for Bryan by twenty thousand majority in 1896. In the second place the Star either ignorantly or willfully misrepresents Senator Butler when it charges that his purpose and scheme in favoring co-operation with the silver Democrats this year was simply to get himself re-elected to the Senate.

The proposition of the People's Party only contemplated an agreement to co-operation in this campaign. It is true that co-operation in 1900 was contemplated as a logical result of co-operation this year, but all reference to 1900 were purposely left out of the proposition so as to simplify the situation and remove any possible objection to co-operation in the campaign of 1900. The proposition was so clear on this point that it seems that no fair-minded man could honestly be mistaken about its meaning. But in order to try to defeat co-operation as advised by Bryan and the National Chairman of the Democratic party, the Democratic gold organ and the Democratic railroad organs of North Carolina at once began to make the same charge on the 15th day of last May, the next day after the adjournment of the People's party convention that the Star now makes. In fact, some of these Democratic gold and monopoly organs went so far as to say that the greatest objection to the proposition was the fact that it made it necessary to elect all of the Populist officers that now hold office, not only in this campaign but in 1900. The purpose of this was clear. It was to try to prejudice the Democratic State convention which met the next week and to give some excuse for refusing to make an honest effort to unite the silver forces.

In order to remove any such excuse as far as it was within his power, Senator Butler at once wrote an open letter to the Raleigh News & Observer, not only stating that the meaning of the People's Party proposition had been misrepresented, but stating further that he did not desire the question of his re-election to the Senate to be considered in the Raleigh press before the assembling of the Democratic State Convention. It is as follows:

Washington, D. C., May 23, 1898.  
Editor News and Observer:  
I notice that certain newspapers and individuals who are opposed to Mr. Bryan's principles, and who are therefore opposed to his plan of co-operation to win a victory for said principles, are attempting to misrepresent the proposition made by the recent Populist convention for such a co-operation. One of the many falsehoods frequently repeated during the last week is that in the wording of the resolution passed by the People's party State convention, my own re-election to the United States Senate was made a condition precedent to a co-operation in said proposition. That this charge is entirely groundless and false will be evident to any one who carefully reads the proposition for co-operation adopted by the People's party State convention. And further I desire to state that a co-operation of all who are opposed to the domination of gold and monopoly, and who desire to enact into law the principles of good government set forth in said co-operative proposition is of a hundred times more importance to the State and to the nation than the election of any man to the United States Senate, and in order that there can be no misunderstanding of the scope,

purpose, and meaning of the proposition made by the Populist State Convention. I wish to state further that in the consideration of whether this proposition should be accepted or rejected, I do not desire the question of my re-election to the Senate to be taken into consideration.  
Yours respectfully,  
MARION BUTLER.

In spite of the publication of this open letter, and in spite of its republication now, we suppose that the Wilmington Star and other papers which were opposed to a union of the silver forces will continue such false and misleading statements as the one we have clipped above.

If the Democratic press cannot state the facts, it should at least have the decency to be silent in the future about this matter.

### AN IMPORTANT REPORT.

General Longstreet, U. S. Commissioner of Railroads, in his annual report made public last week calls attention to the general prosperous condition of the railroads of the country. He says that the money that the railroads are making compared with other business enterprises is very noticeable. The fact is that the railroads are making more money than any other business except the great industrial trusts, which are in copartnership with the railroads. This is not strange when we remember that the railroads are charging as high freight and passenger rates now as they did when cotton was selling for 12 and 15 cents a pound and wheat was selling for a dollar a bushel. The next Legislature should remember these facts and reduce freight and passenger rates down to the gold standard level.

But the Commissioner of Railroads does not stop with giving important facts, he goes further and makes a most important recommendation. He recommends the building of a double track air line government railroad from Kansas City, Mo., across the continent to San Diego, California. The following is an extract from the report:

"It may be timely just now to suggest that the government construct and operate a first-class double track from Kansas City to San Diego by the air line route. This will open the shortest line measured by the map, from Boston, New York and Philadelphia to the Pacific coast, and along near the coal fields of the west, the center of the locking and making the most direct line from our great commercial centers to the Sandwich Islands and the Philippines."

"This, with other lines now working overland, may prove ample for the commerce to the Pacific coast and the Orient, holding trade and travel within our borders, and the experience of a canal through to the isthmus."

"The home advantage of an overland line by the government will be to draw the people nearer together in interests and sympathies and will serve them as a safeguard against the monopoly of corporations. As trade increases it may develop the importance of a direct and a similar line to Seattle, Wash."

### WHAT IT SHOWS.

There will be more Democrats in the next Congress than in the last, but more of them are gold Democrats. So we have the strange spectacle that while the number of Democratic Congressmen has increased, yet the number who favor free silver has decreased. This does not show (as the Republicans charge) that silver is losing ground among the masses of the people, but it shows something else that the friends of silver everywhere should take note of. It shows that the gold and monopoly Democrats have succeeded in capturing the machinery of the Democratic party in many States.

The gold and monopoly Democrats laid their conspiracy over a year ago to do this. The result of the election shows how well they have succeeded.

### A DEMOCRATIC NEGRO MAJORITY.

From every quarter of the State information has come to the Caucasian through more than a hundred letters from Populist workers to the effect that many negroes voted the Democratic ticket at the last election. This not only occurred in the few negro counties, and the whole East, but it also occurred in many places in the West. A letter just received from Alexander county says that many negroes voted the Democratic ticket there. We are also informed that over 200 negroes in Lincoln county voted the Democratic ticket. The Democratic machine has striven hard to make it appear that their 19,000 majority came from Populists and white Republicans. But each day the evidence accumulates to show that the next of it was negro votes. Now what kind of logic was it that induced the negroes to vote the Democratic ticket this year? Col. Andrews could tell, but he won't.

Everybody says so. Cabanets' Candy Cane, the most wonderful medicinal discovery of the age, is a cure for all diseases, and is a hundred times more important to the State and to the nation than the election of any man to the United States Senate, and in order that there can be no misunderstanding of the scope,

## EDITORIAL BRIEFS.

Why did the negro counties go Democratic?

Will the Democratic machine call a constitutional convention and eliminate the negro or will they keep the negro in politics to give them an issue?

How did the Democrats manage to carry the 2nd Congressional district by a big majority for their legislative ticket and yet allow the negro gold-bug Congressman White to be elected?

South Dakota has just adopted a constitutional amendment providing for a system of direct legislation by the people through the initiative and referendum. This is true Democracy—the rule of the people.

It is reported that a general earthquake shock was felt throughout the middle and western counties of the State. It was not felt in Raleigh. No damage is reported from any point where the shock was felt.

Why doesn't the Democratic machine now invite Peg-Leg Williams back to the State and let him take the negroes off in droves? This would be one sure way of removing the scare-crowd of "no domination" Peg-Leg is anxious to come and get them.

Just now the Democratic monopoly organs in North Carolina and the Republican monopoly organs out West are again writing the obituary of the People's party. They did this in 1892, again in 1894, and again in 1896. They will do it again in 1900.

Ex-Queen Lillioinkalina has made a demand upon the United States for the possession of the crown lands in Hawaii. This depends upon how she became possessed of them originally. If they were a perquisite that came to her with the throne, they are no more her private property than the sovereignty of which she has been deprived; but if they were acquired by herself or ancestors by other means than official seizure, without compensation, they should be returned to her.

Judge Peckham, of the United States Supreme Court, in the opinion of the court against railroad pools, delivered by him last week and assented to by a majority of the court, uses an expression that should be constantly before the public. He says: "The business of the railroad carrier is of a public nature, and in performing it the carrier is also performing to a certain extent a function of government which requires it to perform the service upon equal terms to all." This is pretty good Populist doctrine.

Congress will convene next Monday. Many important questions will be up for discussion and settlement. In addition to the appropriation bills and the usual routine legislation there will be the great question of what foreign policy this government will adopt with regard to the territory taken from Spain. Besides the proposed Nicaragua Canal is sure to loom with more prominence than ever before. There is also every indication that the gold bugs will make a desperate effort to retire the greenbacks and increase the power and profits of the national banks. There are many other questions of great importance that will be up for consideration. The Caucasian will keep its readers thoroughly informed.

### PRESS OPINIONS.

MORE NEED FOR POPULIST PRINCIPLES THAN EVER.

We suggest that the Democratic papers have their articles about the "death of Populism" stereotyped and save cost of setting up the same thing after every election. We do not know how many lives Populism has, but according to Democratic papers it has died four times in the last six years. We don't claim that the People's party is "immortal," but the principles of the Democratic party are living principles and will not down. These issues may be temporarily suppressed or relegated to the rear, but they will rise again with renewed force and vigor. The causes that gave rise to Populism exist in a greater degree than ever before, and Populism, or Bryanism, or whatever you choose to call it, continues to gather strength, until there is an uprising that will sweep everything before it.

### A TIMELY QUESTION.

Hickory Times-Mercury.]  
The burning of the negro office in Wilmington was in the south end, and where the killing took place was in the north end, at least two miles apart. So they had an armed force in two extremes of the city. We had been thinking that it all occurred at the same time and place.

It seems to us that the Democrats ought to have run that negro editor out of Wilmington before the election. They ought not to have kept him there and quoted from his paper all during the campaign and then run him off after he could do them no more good. They should send Joe Daniels off with him. He, too, slandered white women, if we view it right, and is as mean as the negro.

### REPUBLICANS ADVOCATING JEFFERSONIAN PRINCIPLES.

By an overwhelming vote on Saturday last, Topeka, the very Gibraltar of Kansas Republicanism, pronounced in favor of the municipal ownership of its city water plant.

Again and again the Kansas has declared that Public Ownership of Public Utilities is not a party question and it is with pleasure we speak of this act of this strictly Republican city in this matter.

It is true that the Republicans have not in their State platforms declared for the common ownership of public utilities, but it is no less true that some of the most notable champions of Public Ownership are Republicans, and some of the "object lessons" in this direction are furnished by Republican cities. The reasons for municipal ownership of street railways are more potent than those in behalf of the municipal ownership of either water, gas or electric plants, but there is a tremendous timidity about taking hold of it.

But the time is coming, slowly, perhaps, but surely when the people of American cities will feel as competent to manage their municipal monopolies as the people in European cities do, and then municipal life will be worth living.

The example of Topeka will not be lost in the cities of Kansas.

### A GOOD WATCHWORD.

Shelby Star.]  
Economy should be the watchword of our Democratic Legislature. Let all unnecessary offices be abolished, no matter how many Democrats may want to fill them. There is no use for one third of the pages and laborers employed by the Legislature. We are in favor of letting the members put on their own overcoats and do like chores and save the tax-payers the money. Another thing we do not see why the clerks should receive more pay than the members do. We can get plenty of good clerks for \$3.00 per day instead of \$5.00. All of these things will count up and if we inaugurate a system of rigid economy, the people will rise up and call us blessed.

### DEMOCRATS DISGUSTED.

Here it is again. Even the Democrats of South Carolina are disgusted with the crimes of their party. Read what the Charleston News has to say:  
"In South Carolina there was absolutely no excuse for the lawlessness and bloodshed of the last few days at Phoenix, which has brought shame and disgrace upon the whole State and exposed the weakness and hollowness of our boasted civilization. We have waited for the facts before making any comment upon the situation, and the facts utterly condemn us as a people."

"That's right, brother, 'an honest confession is good for the soul'."—Exchange.

### FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

News & Observer.]  
The people all over the State are discussing the best method of securing a constitutional provision to limit the suffrage to those who are properly qualified to intelligently exercise it. So far as we can judge of public opinion, there is a general feeling that the Legislature will fail to meet public expectation, if it does not settle the suffrage question by submitting a proper constitutional amendment to the voters at the earliest practicable time.

### THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR CHILLS.

and fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTEFUL CHILL TONIC. Never fails to cure; then why experiment with worthless imitations? Price 50 cents. Your money back if it fails to cure.

### MCKINLEY SPEAKS.

President McKinley's friendly utterances regarding Great Britain, says the St. Paul Dispatch, though made in the course of a private conversation, complete the evidence of an understanding between this country and that. Nothing that the President says, under no matter what circumstances, is official, since he can at no time, lay aside the responsibilities of the office. His remarks are always ex cathedra. Salisbury, the British chief executive, has announced the readiness of the two nations to act together if the need for united action should ever arise, and McKinley has confirmed the announcement.—Baltimore Sun.

### BEWARE OF FRAUD.

No merit, no success! All the advertising in the world will not make successful an article without merit. So when a preparation has an advertised reputation that is world-wide, it means that preparation is meritorious. If you go into a store to buy an article that has achieved universal popularity like Cascarats, for example, you feel that the endorsement of the world is on that article. The judgment of the people is infallible because it is impersonal. The retailer is a man who sells you "something else" in place of the article you ask for, has an axe to grind. Don't it stand to reason? He's trying to bamboozle you, to sell you a gold brick, something that is not what he represents it to be. Why? Because he expects to derive an extra profit out of your credulity. Are you easy? Don't you see through his little game? The man who will substitute a fraud and you are his victim. Beware of him! He is trying to steal the honestly earned benefits of a reputation which another business man has paid for, and if his conscience will allow him to go so far, he will go further. If he cheats his customer in one way, he will in another and it is not safe to do business with him. Beware of the substitute! Beware of the fraud!

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.  
To quit tobacco easily and forever, being healthy, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 25c or 50c. Cure guaranteed. Send 10c for booklet. Address: Leading Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

## SOME ELECTION METHODS

Employed by the Democrats to Carry Cumberland County—Intimidation, Threats, etc., Used Where Money Failed to Buy Votes—Carry the County and Bring Bill were Simmons' Instructions.

For THE CAUCASIAN.]

Since the election has passed off it is perhaps well, for some one in each precinct, at least in each county, who has been in the fight for the people against trusts and monopolies, and who intends to continue in the struggle, on the people's side, to write up the methods used by the money power to win against the people in his immediate community.

In Cumberland county the first move was to raise the cry of white supremacy, and call for primaries to send delegates to a county convention; every man who attended a primary could have his name put down as a delegate, and each township, regardless of its numerical strength was allowed ten votes in the county convention. Their convention in this county was largely attended, and a certain kind of enthusiasm seemed to prevail, yet it had the appearance of a fellow whistling to keep his courage up, because no fair-minded man could conceive of any possible way to defeat the People's party candidates at that stage of the game. A very striking feature of their convention was, that the only corporation lawyer of this county of any note, and who is very prominent among railroad attorneys in this State, presided as chairman of the convention. Another man who has risen in the last dozen years from penury to affluence through railroad favoritism, in business undertakings, who thought not at the time a citizen of this county, yet he appeared to be general floor walker and manager of the convention. The last party referred to, told this writer in the year 1891, that he would ride a mule bare back thirty (30) miles the hottest day he ever saw, to attend a hanging of L. L. Polk, who was living then, and was to be the victim. This same party told this writer since the election that the fight was won in this county during the last three days preceding the election, that just prior to that time, that he, (although a citizen of another State), ordered a meeting of the party workers in every precinct to meet him in Fayetteville, and that upon examining them personally, he found, that the Populists had him (the Democrats) beaten—whereupon he then and there struck us a blow that knocked us out. It may seem a little strange to the casual reader that a plutocrat should be so careless with his methods in the presence of a Populist, but in days gone by this writer and the party in question had been quite intimate. And I was very anxious to discover how such an unlooked for event, as the defeat of the Populist ticket in this county had been brought about. In connection with the above, when considered together, a ray of light is thrown on, by the fact that one of the plutocratic nominees for the House (and who is elected) said upon receiving the nomination, by way of acceptance, that he intended to be elected and would be, if money and zeal could do it. The nominee here referred to, is a lawyer, of a fair reputation for honesty, and has the reputation of having something above the homestead limitations, while he may object to being charged with being penurious, yet his reputation has grown some in that direction, and it is only fair to say, that of those who heard him make the declaration, when accepting his nomination, that he intended to be elected if money would do it, there were few if any, had any idea that he was referring to his own money. In fact, this writer, who heard it, felt at the time that though it might not have been expressed, yet there was some implied connection, between the money boast and the railroad favorite heretofore mentioned as being present.

From the day the Plutocrats got out their county ticket, and even before, until the election, to recount all the devilish and ridiculous devices resorted to, even in this county alone, to carry the election, would require an army of reporters, and a cart load of books.

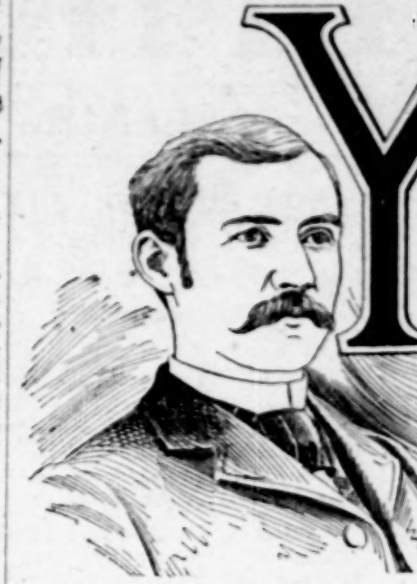
A few incidents in my own experience may be worth relating. One citizen who would doubtless object to being referred to otherwise than as a gentleman, and who I suppose makes some pretensions of being a Christian, very often during the campaign would come to this writer, and assure me that I was running great risk in openly supporting the Populist party; that if I persisted in it, I would doubtless be "killed and shot"; he was not the only one, a prominent machine Democrat hinted as much several times. This last one told me that he was making it his business, and others with him, to see all the most religiously inclined negroes, and request them to get their spiritual affairs in the best of shape, by the morning of the election, because as it was the Democratic programme to kill a few negroes, at every precinct, for the moral effect, it was most desirable that it should be those who were prepared to enter the pearly gates of the new Jerusalem.

A prominent township Democrat just now paying me a Thanksgiving call, tells me he had trouble getting some of his white farm laborers to the polls, because they were over-comed with the general scare of war, to be at the election, they had never been anything but Democrats. This same party tells me that considerable money campaign funds were sent to their county than they could use, and had sent a considerable sum back, while this sounds strange, I have heard it corroborated so much, I take it for true. They must have had a very heavy fund.

The biggest fool thing it seems to me, that I ever heard of white men

## Young Men with a Purpose.

A few words from Dr. Hartman and a letter from Executive Clerk Hampton.



STATE OF OHIO, EXECUTIVE DEPT., GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, COLUMBUS, O.

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J. L. HAMPTON, Executive Clerk.

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The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O., will mail on application Dr. Hartman's books on chronic catarrh. Every interested person should have them.

Ask your Druggist for 1898 Peruna Almanac.

doing—was the parading over the county the day before the election, with red shirts, guns and pistols, shooting and hurrahing to frighten people, so that they would not go to the polls. So far as I could learn this had not the slightest effect on Populists, nor negroes who were not bought, and only frightened poor ignorant Democrats who never had sense enough to become Populists of which there is doubtless a large number in North Carolina.

There was however, some very dangerous people aroused by the Democratic campaign in this county, particularly Quawhille Township, bloodshed in quantities was very narrowly averted there, both at the joint discussion, and the night between then and the election when Arch'd McIntyre, a very respectable negro registrar was shot at, in a manner that showed that those doing the shooting were bent on murder, slight inaccuracy in their aim only preventing it.

The most effective damage done the people's cause by the plutocrats here was by intimidating tenants by land lords and mortgagees by mortgagees, and in the towns by the employers intimidating the employees. Notably the employers of cotton mill labor in this county, in several instances stood over their employees and overruled their voting. I can say, however, that this was not the case with the Hope Mills people, the owners of which reside for the most part in Philadelphia, yet the Democrats made a good showing at their mills too.

One of Simmons' most favored pets in this county was heard to say by a reliable Populist on the day of election, that the Democrats would carry the county without a doubt, because he had orders to carry the county, and bring in his "bill," and that he had arranged to carry out the instructions. Let us hear from others.

JOHN M. DUFFIE.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Mayor Waddell and other prominent citizens of Wilmington, who were prominent in the recent revolution in that city, have received anonymous communications threatening them with death.

It reads with you whether you contain the germ of disease, and if you do, it removes the germ from you. It is a sure cure for all diseases, and is a hundred times more important to the State and to the nation than the election of any man to the United States Senate, and in order that there can be no misunderstanding of the scope,

Representative Richmond Pearson, of Asheville, in the Ninth North Carolina district, accompanied by Mrs. Pearson, has come to Washington and settled for the winter at 1716 Rhode Island Avenue. Mr. Pearson was defeated at the recent election by ex-Congressman W. T. Crawford, of Waynesville. On the face of the return as Mr. Crawford has a majority of less than 200, but Mr. Pearson has demanded a recount which will be held on December 1, and has given notice of his intention to contest the election before the House of Representatives.—Washington Post.

The foot ball team of the University of North Carolina, met the team of Virginia University at Richmond, Va., Thanksgiving day and defeated the Virginians by a score of 6 to 2. This victory makes the Tar Heels champion of the South.

The contracts for grading the Great Eastern Railway from Selma to Douglas bay, on Pamlico Sound, are being let. J. W. Lynch, one of the principal promoters, says the road is now absolutely assured. The grading will be very light. Contracts for the cross-ties have been made, and these are now being delivered.

Disease of the Blood and Nerves.  
No one need suffer with neuralgia. This disease is quickly and permanently cured by Brown's Iron Bitters. Every disease of the blood, nerves and stomach, chronic or otherwise, succumbs to Brown's Iron Bitters. Known and used for nearly a quarter of a century, it stands today foremost among our most valued remedies. Brown's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

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S. S. S. is the only cure for Rheumatism, which is the most stubborn of blood diseases. It is not intended to give relief only, but by completely neutralizing the acid condition of the blood it forces out every trace of the disease and cures the system of it forever. It is

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and one thousand dollars reward is offered to any chemist who can prove that it contains a particle of mercury, potash, or any other mineral ingredient. S. S. S. is the only blood remedy guaranteed to be absolutely free from mineral mixtures.

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Wednesday afternoon at 3 P. M. R. Rand, Jr., was helping to place a boiler in position at Pine level, he was caught between the boiler and a post, receiving a very severe and painful but not serious wound. His shoulder was wrenched and possibly a bone or two broken. He is getting on as well as could be expected.—Smithfield Herald.

George and John Crayel killed a real live wild cat, over in the Miller's Creek section on Friday night of last week. It was three feet and nine inches in length and its claws measured one and three-fourths inches. It was in a tree when they shot it. It is very seldom that we hear of a wild cat in this section.—Wilkesboro Chronicle.

### What Shall We do?

A serious and dangerous disease prevails in this country, dangerous because so deceptive. It comes on so slowly yet sure that it is often firmly seated before we are aware of it.

The name of this disease which may be divided into three distinct stages is, First, Kidney trouble, indicated by pain in the back, rheumatism, limboag, frequent desire to urinate, often with a burning sensation, the flow of urine being copious or scant with strong odor.

If allowed to advance, it reaches the Second stage, or Bladder trouble, with heavy pain, the abdomen low down between the navel and the water passage, increasing desire to urinate, with scalding sensation in passing small quantities being passed with difficulty, sometimes necessary to draw it with instruments. If uric acid or gravel has formed, it will prove dangerous if neglected.

The Third Stage is Bright's Disease.

There is comfort in knowing that Dr. Kilmer, the great kidney and bladder specialist, has discovered a Remedy famous for its marvelous cures of the most distressing cases and known as Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root.

It is sold by all druggists. As a proof of the wonderful virtues of this great discovery, Swamp-Root, a sample bottle and book of valuable information will be sent absolutely free by mail on application to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing kindly mention that you read this liberal offer in The Caucasian.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals files its decision in the Scale land case from Buncombe county, involving title to 70,000 acres. Twice this case has gone to the Superior and Supreme State Courts, and twice to the United States Circuit Court. The last time it was heard was last summer at Asheville, when four weeks were consumed in the trial.

A Wonderful Discovery.  
The last quarter of a century reveals many wonderful discoveries in medicine, but none that have accomplished more for humanity than that sterling old household remedy, Brown's Iron Bitters. It seems to contain the very elements of good health, and neither man, woman or child can take it without deriving the greatest benefit. Brown's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

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100 bushels of Seed Rye.  
Also Corn, Fish, Meat, Molasses, Cheese, Crackers, Peanuts, Sugar, Coffee, Tobacco, Snuff, Canned Goods, Trust-proof and other Oats, Wheat Bran, Shorts or Middlings, and all other good in my line.

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## Good-Bye, Rheumatism.

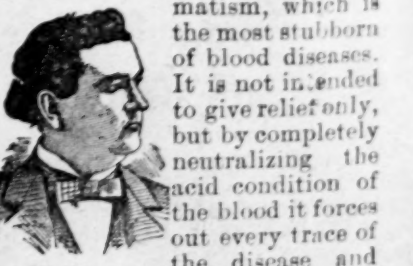
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With this issue THE CAUCASIAN begins its seventeenth volume. THE CAUCASIAN takes this means of expressing its thanks to its thousands of subscribers who have given it loyal support in the future and hope that it will retain the large circle of readers it at present enjoys. During the coming year THE CAUCASIAN will continue to give its readers all the news of importance—both State and National—comment upon the leading topics of the day and continue its fight for reforms politically, advocate the principles of the People's party, and justly, but fearlessly, condemn or approve the actions of the public officials in high or low places. During the year new features and more reading matter will be added. A Children's Column will be begun with the first issue in January, also a column devoted to women. The farmers will find many valuable suggestions in a column that will be added specially for them. A number of our subscribers' time will expire during this month and we trust they will all renew at once and also send us one new yearly subscriber when renewing.

## STATE THE FACTS OR BE SILENT.

The Wilmington Star, in a recent issue since the election, says:

"Marion Butler's term as Senator expires March 4th, 1901, and he has been playing his game to keep control of the situation so as to secure re-election two years hence. This was why he helped to put up that job wherein the Populist leaders agreed to hold themselves in readiness to co-operate with the Democratic party, or any party, or with any faction of any party that would agree to certain conditions, one of these conditions being that the Populists be guaranteed all the offices State and Federal which they now hold. This would have been tantamount to a pledge by the Democratic party to re-elect Marion Butler Senator to succeed himself."

In the first place the Star misrepresents the proposition of the People's Party for a co-operation of the same silver forces that joined hands and carried the State for Bryan by twenty thousand majority in 1896. In the second place the Star either ignorantly or willfully misrepresents Senator Butler when it charges that his purpose and scheme in favoring co-operation with the silver Democrats this year was simply to get himself re-elected to the Senate.

The proposition of the People's Party only contemplated an agreement as to co-operation in this campaign. It is true that co-operation in 1900 was contemplated as a logical result of co-operation this year, but all reference to 1900 were purposely left out of the proposition so as to simplify the situation and remove any possible objection to co-operation in the campaign of 1900. The proposition was so clear on this point that it seems that no fair-minded man could honestly be mistaken about its meaning. But in order to try to defeat co-operation as advised by Bryan and the National Chairman of the Democratic party, the Democratic gold organs and the Democratic railroad organs of North Carolina at once began to make the same charge on the 15th day of last May, the next day after the adjournment of the People's party convention that the Star now makes. In fact, some of these Democratic gold and monopoly organs went so far as to say that the greatest objection to the proposition was the fact that it made it necessary to re-elect all of the Populist officers that now hold office, not only in this campaign but in 1900. The purpose of this was clear. It was to try to prejudice the Democratic State convention which met the next week and to give some excuse for refusing to make an honest effort to unite the silver forces.

In order to remove any such excuse as far as it was within his power, Senator Butler at once wrote an open letter to the Raleigh News & Observer, not only stating that the meaning of the People's Party proposition had been misrepresented, but stating further that he did not desire the question of his re-election to the Senate to be considered in the question of co-operation this year. The letter was published in the Raleigh press before the assembling of the Democratic State Convention. It is as follows:

Washington, D. C., May 23, 1898.  
Editor News and Observer:  
I notice that certain newspapers and individuals who are opposed to Mr. Butler's principles, and who are therefore opposed to his plan of co-operation to win a victory for said principles, are attempting to misrepresent the proposition made by the recent Populist convention for such a co-operation. One of the many falsehoods frequently repeated during the last week is that in the wording of the resolution passed by the People's party State convention, my own re-election to the United States Senate was made a condition precedent to a co-operation in said proposition. That this charge is entirely groundless and false need be evident to any one who is opposed to the domination of gold and monopoly, and who desire to enact into law the principles of good government set forth in said co-operative proposition. It is of a hundred times more importance to the State and to the nation than the election of any man to the United States Senate, and in order that there can be no misunderstanding of the scope,

purpose, and meaning of the proposition made by the Populist State Convention, I wish to state further that in the consideration of whether this proposition shall be accepted or rejected, I do not desire the question of my re-election to the Senate to be taken into consideration.  
Yours respectfully,  
MARION BUTLER.

In spite of the publication of this open letter, and in spite of its republication now, we suppose that the Wilmington Star and other papers which were opposed to a union of the silver forces will continue such false and misleading statements as the one we have clipped above.

If the Democratic press cannot state the facts, it should at least have the decency to be silent in the future about this matter.

## AN IMPORTANT REPORT.

General Longstreet, U. S. Commissioner of Railroads, in his annual report made public last week calls attention to the general prosperous condition of the railroads of the country. He says that the money that the railroads are making compared with other business enterprises is very noticeable. The fact is that the railroads are making more money than any other business except the great industrial trusts, which are in co-partnership with the railroads. This is not strange when we remember that the railroads are charging as high freight and passenger rates now as they did when cotton was selling for 12 and 15 cents a pound and wheat was selling for a dollar a bushel. The next Legislature should remember these facts and reduce freight and passenger rates down to the gold standard level.

But the Commissioner of Railroads does not stop with giving important facts, he goes further and makes a most important recommendation. He recommends the building of a double track air line government railroad from Kansas City, Mo., across the continent to San Diego, California. The following is an extract from the report:

"It may be timely just now to suggest that the government construct and operate a first-class double track air line from Kansas City to San Diego. This line, which will open the shortest line measured by the map, from Boston, New York and Philadelphia to the Pacific coast, and along near the coal fields of the east and west of this side of the Rockies and making the most direct line from our great commercial centers to the Sandwich Islands and the Philippines.

"This, with other lines now working overland, may prove ample for the commerce to the Pacific coast and the Orient, holding trade and travel within our borders, and the experiment of a canal through to the Isthmus.

"The home advantage of an overland line by the government will be to draw the people nearer together in interests and sympathies and will serve them as a safeguard against the monopoly of corporations. As trade increases it may develop the importance of a direct and a similar line to Seattle, Wash.

This is a very timely recommendation and Congress should act on it at once. The government built the Union & Central Pacific Railroad and should never have sold them. They made a through line across the continent. But they have gone entirely into private hands and are now a part of the great railway monopoly which deprives the people of all competition and makes them the helpless subjects of a mighty syndicate.

Let Congress act on Commissioner Longstreet's recommendation and give the people a safeguard against the monopoly of corporations."

## WHAT IT SHOWS.

There will be more Democrats in the next Congress than in the last, but more of them are gold Democrats. So we have the strange spectacle that while the number of Democratic Congressmen has increased, yet the number who favor free silver has decreased.

This does not show (as the Republicans charge) that silver is losing ground among the masses of the people, but it shows something else that the friends of silver everywhere should take note of. It shows that the gold and monopoly Democrats have succeeded in capturing the machinery of the Democratic party in many States.

The gold and monopoly Democrats laid their conspiracy over a year ago to do this. The result of the election shows how well they have succeeded.

## A DEMOCRATIC NEGRO MAJORITY.

From every quarter of the State information has come to the Caucasian through more than a hundred letters from Populist workers to the effect that many negroes voted the Democratic ticket at the last election. This not only occurred in the few negro counties, and the whole East, but it also occurred in many places in the West. A letter just received from Alexander county says that many negroes voted the Democratic ticket there. We are also informed that over 200 negroes in Lincoln county voted the Democratic ticket. The Democratic machine has striven hard to make it appear that their 19,000 majority came from Populists and white Republicans. But each day the evidence accumulates to show that most of it was negro votes. Now what kind of logic was it that induced the negroes to vote the Democratic ticket this year? Col. Andrews could tell, but he won't.

## EDITORIAL BRIEFS.

Why did the negro counties go Democratic?

Will the Democratic machine call a constitutional convention and eliminate the negro or will they keep the negro in politics to give them an issue?

How did the Democrats manage to carry the 2nd Congressional district by a big majority for their legislative ticket and yet allow the negro gold-bug Congressman White to be elected?

South Dakota has just adopted a constitutional amendment providing for a system of direct legislation by the people through the initiative and referendum. This is true Democracy—the rule of the people.

It is reported that a general earthquake shock was felt throughout the middle and western counties of the State. It was not felt in Raleigh. No damage is reported from any point where the shock was felt.

Why doesn't the Democratic machine now invite Peg-Leg Williams back to the State and let him take the negroes off in droves? This would be one sure way of removing the scare-crowd of "negro domination." Peg-Leg is anxious to come and get them.

Just now the Democratic monopoly organs in North Carolina and the Republican monopoly organs out West are again writing the obituary of the People's party. They did this in 1892, again in 1894, and again in 1896. They will do it again in 1900.

Ex-Queen Lillioakalina has made a demand upon the United States for the possession of the crown lands in Hawaii. This depends upon how she became possessed of them originally. If they were a perquisite that came to her with the throne, they are no more her private property than the sovereignty of which she has been deprived; but, if they were acquired by herself or ancestors by other means than official seizure, without compensation, they should be returned to her.

Judge Peckham, of the United States Supreme Court, in the opinion of the court against railroad pools, delivered by him last week and assented to by a majority of the court, uses an expression that should be constantly before the public. He says: "The business of the railroad carrier is of a public nature, and in performing it the carrier is also performing to a certain extent a function of government which requires it to perform the service upon equal terms to all." This is pretty good Populist doctrine.

Congress will convene next Monday. Many important questions will be up for discussion and settlement. In addition to the appropriation bills and the usual routine legislation there will be the great question of what foreign policy this government will adopt with regard to the territory taken from Spain. Besides the proposed Nicaragua Canal is sure to loom with more prominence than ever before. There is also every indication that the gold bugs will make a desperate effort to retire the greenbacks and increase the power and profits of the national banks. There are many other questions of great importance that will be up for consideration. The Caucasian will keep its readers thoroughly informed.

## PRESS OPINIONS.

MORE NEED FOR POPULIST PRINCIPLES THAN EVER.

We suggest that the Democratic papers have their articles about the "death of Populism" stereotyped and save cost of setting up the same thing after every election. We do not know how many lives Populism has, but according to Democratic papers it has died four times in the last six years. We don't claim that the People's party is "immortal," but the principles of the Democratic party are living principles and will not down. These issues may be temporarily suppressed or relegated to the rear, but they will rise again with renewed force and vigor. The causes that gave rise to Populism exist in a greater degree than ever before, and Populism, or Bryanism, or whatever you choose to call it, will continue to gather strength until there is an uprising that will sweep everything before it.

## A TIMELY QUESTION.

Hickory Times-Mercury.]  
The burning of the negro office in Wilmington was in the south end, and where the killing took place was in the north end, at least two miles apart. So they had an armed force in two extremes of the city. We had been thinking that it all occurred at the same time and place.

It seems to us that the Democrats ought to have run that negro editor out of Wilmington before the election. They ought not to have kept him there and quoted from his paper all during the campaign and then run him off after he could do them no more good. They should send Joe Daniels off with him. He, too, slandered white women, if we view it right, and as mean as the negro.

## REPUBLICANS ADVOCATING JEFFERSONIAN PRINCIPLES.

From the Kansas, Topeka, Kan.

By an overwhelming vote on Saturday last, Topeka, the very Gibraltar of Kansas Republicanism, pronounced in favor of the municipal ownership of its city water plant.

Again and again the Kansans have declared that Public Ownership of Public Utilities is not a party question and it is with pleasure we speak of this act of this strictly Republican city in this matter. It is true that the Republicans have not in their State platforms declared for the common ownership of public utilities, but it is no less true that some of the most notable champions of Public Ownership are Republicans, and some of the "voh-jeh lessons" in this direction are furnished by Republican cities.

The reasons for municipal ownership of street railways are more potent than those in behalf of the municipal ownership of either water, gas or electric plants, but there is a tremendous timidity about taking hold of it.

But the time is coming, slowly, perhaps, but surely when the people of American cities will feel competent to manage their municipal monopolies as the people in European cities do, and then municipal life will be worth living.

The example of Topeka will not be lost in the cities of Kansas.

## A GOOD WATCHWORD.

Shelby Star.]  
Economy should be the watchword of our Democratic Legislature. Let all unnecessary offices be abolished, no matter how many Democrats may want to fill them. There is no use for one third of the pages and laborers employed by the Legislature. We are in favor of letting the members put on their own overcoats and do like chores and save the tax-payers the money. Another thing we do not see why the clerks should receive more pay than the members do. We can get plenty of good clerks for \$3.00 per day instead of \$5.00. All of these things will count up and if we inaugurate a system of rigid economy, the people will rise up and call us blessed.

## DEMOCRATS DISGUSTED.

Here it is again. Even the Democrats of South Carolina are disgusted with the crimes of their party. Read what the Charleston News has to say:

"In South Carolina there was absolutely no excuse for the lawlessness and bloodshed of the last few days at Phoenix, which has brought shame and disgrace upon the whole State and exposed the weakness and hollowness of our boasted civilization. We have waited for the facts before making any comment upon the situation, and the facts utterly condemn us as a people."

That's right, brother, "an honest confession is good for the soul."—Exchange.

## FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

News & Observer.]  
The people all over the State are discussing the best method of securing a constitutional provision to limit the suffrage to those who are properly qualified to intelligently exercise it. So far as we can judge of public opinion, there is a general feeling that the Legislature will fail to meet public expectation, if it does not settle the suffrage question by submitting a proper constitutional amendment to the voters at the earliest practicable time.

## THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR CHILLS.

and fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTEFUL CHILL TONIC. Never fails to cure; then why experiment with worthless imitations? Price 50 cents. Your money back if it fails to cure.

## MCKINLEY SPEAKS.

President McKinley's friendly utterances regarding Great Britain, says the St. Paul Dispatch, though made in the course of a private conversation, complete the evidence of an understanding between this country and that. Anything that the President says, under no matter what circumstances, is official, since he can at no time, lay aside the responsibilities of the office. His remarks are always ex cathedra. Salisbury, the British chief executive, has announced the readiness of the two nations to act together if the need for united action should ever arise, and McKinley has confirmed the announcement.—Baltimore Sun.

## BEWARE OF FRAUD.

No merit, no success! All the advertising in the world will not make successful an article without merit. So when a preparation has an advertised reputation that is world-wide, it means that preparation is meritorious. If you go into a store to buy an article that has achieved universal popularity like Cascarets, for example, you feel that the endorsement of the world is on that article. The judgment of the people is infallible because it is impersonal. The retailer who wants to sell you "something else" in place of the article you ask for, has an axe to grind. Don't it stand to reason? He's trying to bamboozle you, to sell you a gold brick, something that is not what he represents it to be. Why? Because he expects to derive an extra profit out of your credulity. Are you easy? Don't you see through his little game? The man who will substitute a fraud and you are his victim. Beware of him! He is trying to steal the honestly earned benefits of a reputation which another business man has paid for, and if his conscience will allow him to go so science will allow him to do it. He cheats his customer in one way, he will in another and it is not safe to do business with him. Beware of the substitute! Beware of the fraud!

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To quit tobacco easily and forever, be happy, healthy, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong, builds up the system, cures chronic coughs and cures the lungs. It is the only safe and sure cure for the habit. Address: Leading Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

## SOME ELECTION METHODS.

Employed by the Democrats to Carry Cumberland County—Intimidation, Threats, etc., Used Where Money Failed to Buy Votes—Carry the County and Bring Bill were Simmons' Instructions.

For THE CAUCASIAN.]

Since the election has passed off it is perhaps well, for some one in each precinct, at least in each county, who has been in the fight for the people against trusts and monopolies, and who intends to continue in the struggle, on the people's side, to write up the methods used by the money power to win against the people in his immediate community.

In Cumberland county the first move was to raise the cry of white supremacy, and call for primaries to send delegates to a county convention; every man who attended a primary could have his name put down as a delegate, and each township, regardless of its numerical strength was allowed ten votes in the county convention. Their convention in this county was largely attended, and a certain kind of enthusiasm seemed to prevail, yet it had the appearance of a fellow whistling to keep his courage up, because no fair-minded man could conceive of any possible way to defeat the People's party candidates at that stage of the game. A very striking feature of their convention was, that the only corporation lawyer of this county of any note, and who is very prominent among railroad attorneys in this State, presided as chairman of the convention. Another man who has risen in the last dozen years from penury to affluence through railroad favoritism, in business undertakings, who though not at the time a citizen of this county, yet he appeared to be general floor walker and manager of the convention. The last party referred to, told this writer in the year 1891, that he would ride a mule back thirty (30) miles the hottest day he ever saw, to attend a hanging of L. L. Polk, who was living then, was to be the victim. This same party told this writer since the election that the fight was won in this county during the last three days preceding the election, that just prior to that time, that he, (although a citizen of another State), ordered a meeting of the party workers in every precinct to meet him in Fayetteville, and that upon examining them personally, he found, that the Populists had him (the Democrats) beaten—whereupon he then and there struck us a blow that knocked us out. It may seem a little strange to the casual reader that a plutocrat should be so careless with his methods in the presence of a Populist, but in days gone by this writer and the party in question had been quite intimate. And I was very anxious to discover how such an unlooked for event, as the defeat of the Populist ticket in this county had been brought about. In connection with the above, when considered together, a ray of light is thrown on, by the fact that one of the plutocratic nominees for the House (and who is elected) said upon receiving the nomination, by way of acceptance, that he intended to be elected and would be, if money and zeal could do it. The nominee here referred to, is a lawyer, of a fair reputation for honesty, and has the reputation of having something above the homestead limitations, while he may object to being charged with being penurious, yet his reputation has grown some in that direction, and it is only fair to say that of those who heard him make the declaration, when accepting his nomination, that he intended to be elected if money would do it, there were few if any, had any idea that he was referring to his own money. In fact, this writer, who heard it, felt at the time that though it might not have been expressed, yet there was some implied connection, between the money boast and the railroad favorite heretofore mentioned as being present.

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doing—was the parading over the county the day before the election, with red shirts, guns and pistols, shooting and hurrying to frighten people, so that they would not go to the polls. So far as I could learn this had not the slightest effect on Populists, nor negroes who were not bought, and only frightened poor ignorant Democrats who never had sense enough to become Populists of which there is doubtless a large number in North Carolina.

There was however, some very dangerous people aroused by the Democratic campaign in this county, particularly in Quailville Township, bloodshed in quantities was very narrowly averted there, both at the joint discussion, and the night between then and the election when Arch'd McIntyre, a very respectable negro registrer was shot at, in a manner that showed that those doing the shooting were bent on murder, slight inaccuracy in their aim only preventing it.

The most effective damage done the people's cause by the plutocrats here, was by intimidating tenants by land lords and mortgagees by mortgagees, and in the towns by the employers intimidating the employees. Notably the employers of cotton mill labor in this county, in several instances stood over their employees and overruled their voting. I can say, however, that this was not the case with the Hope Mills people, the owners of which reside for the most part in Philadelphia, yet the Democrats made a good showing at their mills too.

One of Simmons' most favored pets in this county was heard to say by a reliable Populist on the day of election, that the Democrats would carry the county without a doubt, because he had orders to carry the county, and bring in his "bill," and that he had arranged to carry out the instructions. Let us hear from others.

JOHN M. DUFFIE.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Mayor Waddell and other prominent citizens of Wilmington, who were prominent in the recent revolution in that city, have received anonymous communications threatening them with death.

From the day the Plutocrats got out their county ticket, and even before, until the election, to recount all the devilish and ridiculous devices resorted to, even in this county alone, to carry the election, would require an army of reporters, and a cart load of books.

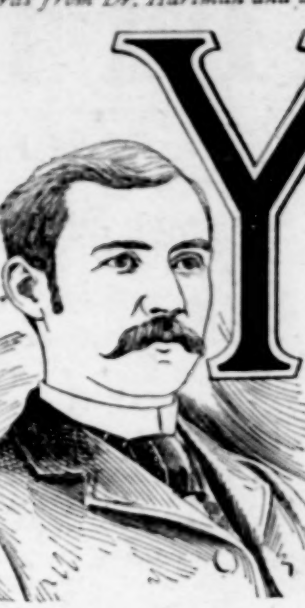
A few incidents in my own experience may be worth relating. One citizen who would doubtless object to being referred to otherwise than as a gentleman, and who I suppose makes some pretensions of being a Christian, very often during the campaign would come to this writer, and assure me that I was running great risk in openly supporting the Populist party; that if I persisted in it, I would doubtless be waylaid and shot; he was not the only one, a prominent machine Democrat hinted as much several times. This last one told me that he was making it his business, and others with him, to see all the most religiously inclined negroes, and request them to get their spiritual affairs in the best of shape, by the morning of the election, because as it was the Democratic programme to kill a few negroes, at every precinct, for the moral effect, it was most desirable that it should be those who were prepared to enter the pearly gates of the new Jerusalem.

A prominent township Democrat just now paying me a Thanksgiving call, tells me he had trouble getting some of his white farm laborers to the polls, because they were over-comed with the general scare of war, to be at the election, they had never been anything but Democrats. This same party tells me that considerable money campaign funds were sent to their county than they could use, and had sent a considerable sum back, which this sounds strange, I have heard it corroborated so much, I take it for true. They must have a very heavy feud.

The biggest fool thing it seems to me, that I ever heard of white men

## Young Men with a Purpose.

A few words from Dr. Hartman and a letter from Executive Clerk Hampton.



men, however ambitious, find success difficult; earnest effort is necessary; they must also possess health. The influence of catarrh toward failure must be reckoned with, for catarrh prevails to an unknown extent. Catarrh warps the judgment; it irritates the nerves; irritated nerves in turn produce catarrh. Catarrh is insidious, unclean, dangerous. Catarrhal breath alone is a serious stumbling-block.

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## SPAIN ACCEPTS OUR PROPOSITION.

A special dispatch from Paris dated Nov. 28th says:

The joint peace commissioners met and the Spanish commissioners immediately announced their acceptance of the American demands.

There is no denying that the whole of the European continent will bitterly resent American acquisition of the Philippines. This sentiment is not confined to diplomats but here in Paris the opinion is constantly expressed in the highest French society.

The Spanish commissioners' acceptance was made verbally, but the written acceptance will be presented later. The Spanish commissioners said that being authorized by their government to reply that the American propositions are inadmissible on legal principles and since on the Spanish part all diplomatic resources are exhausted, and Spanish commission is now asked to accept or reject the propositions that Spain, inspired by reasons of patriotism and humanity and being desirous to avoid the horrors of war, resigns herself to the power of the victor. She accepts the offered conditions in order to conclude the treaty for peace.

The American demands included the acquisition of the Philippines and the Sulu group for twenty million. It is understood that the American purchase includes the Caroline group. The question of the debt of Cuba was left unsettled until the next meeting, Wednesday.

## GENERAL NEWS.

The Spanish peace commissioners in Paris Tuesday agreed to cede the Philippine Islands to the United States and to accept \$20,000,000 as compensation.

A dispatch from Paris states that sentiment on the continent of Europe is largely against the United States in its seizure of Spanish colonies in the Pacific.

Thirty-eight persons were killed or wounded in Havana by the supposedly accidental explosion of a heap of powder and cartridges.

Lieutenant Hobson has refused an offer of \$50,000 from a New York lecture bureau for a series of lectures on the ground that he has no right to use the performance of a duty as an officer of the navy for his financial betterment.

In view of assurances that a treaty of peace with Spain will be signed, the War Department will at an early day muster out of service between 30,000 and 40,000 volunteers.

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"Two years ago I was a great sufferer from Rheumatism. I had tried every remedy I could hear of except S. S. S. I had been to Hot Springs, Ark., where I remained for twelve weeks under treatment, but I experienced no permanent relief, and returned home, believing that I would be a sufferer long as I lived. At a time when my pains were almost unbearable, I chanced to read your advertisement and was impressed with it so much that I decided to try S. S. S. I took eleven bottles and was entirely relieved of all pain and cured permanently. When I began to take S. S. S. I was unable to sit or stand with any ease, and could not sleep. Since taking the last dose I have had no return of the Rheumatism, and I take great pleasure in recommending S. S. S. to any one who has the misfortune to suffer with this disabling disease."

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Wednesday afternoon as Dr. O. R. Rand, Jr., was helping to place a boiler in position at Pine Bluff, he was caught between the boiler and a post, receiving a very severe and painful but not serious wound. His shoulder was wrenched and possibly broken or two broken. He is getting on as well as could be expected.—Smithfield Herald.

George and John Crayel killed a real live wild cat, over in the Miller's Creek section on Friday night of last week. It was three feet and nine inches in length, its claws measured one and three-fourths inches. It was in a tree when they shot it. It was a specimen that we hear of a wild cat in this section.—Wilksboro Chronicle.

## What Shall we do?

A serious and dangerous disease prevails in this country, dangerous because so deceptive. It comes on so slowly yet sure that it is often firmly seated before we are aware of it.

The name of this disease which may be divided into three distinct stages is, First, Kidney trouble, indicated by pain in the back, rheumatism, limbo, frequent desire to urinate, often with a burning sensation, the flow of urine being copious or scant with strong odor.

If allowed to advance, it reaches the Second stage, or Bladder trouble, with heavy pain in the abdomen low down between the naval and the water passage, increasing desire to urinate, with scalding sensation in passing small quantities being passed with difficulty, sometimes necessary to draw it with instruments. If uric acid or gravel has formed, it will prove dangerous if neglected.

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The United States Circuit Court of Appeals files its decision in the Scale land case from Buncombe county, involving title to 70,000 acres. Twice this case has gone to the Superior and Supreme State Courts, and twice to the United States Circuit Court. The last time it was heard was last summer at Asheville, when four weeks were consumed in the trial.

## A Wonderful Discovery.

The last quarter of a century records many wonderful discoveries in medicine, but none have so completely benefited humanity than that sterling old household remedy, Brown's Iron Bitters. It seems to contain the very elements of health, and neither man, woman or child can take it without deriving the greatest benefit. Brown's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers



# THE CAUCASIAN.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 1, 1898.

Entered in Post Office at Raleigh, N. C. as second class matter.

The state fair this year paid all expenses and premiums and a year's interest on its \$40,000 of bonds.

Elsewhere in this issue we publish a statement of the county commissioners accounts for the year 1898.

The North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, will hold its annual session at Elizabeth City, beginning Tuesday, November 30th. Bishop Fitzgerald will preside.

Rev. Dr. L. G. Broughton, of Atlanta, is holding a series of revival meetings at the Baptist Tabernacle and large crowds are attending every day. Dr. Broughton is an able and eloquent divine and his efforts are being rewarded by many conversions.

The colored Baptist church at Method was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. It was a large frame building, and the fire is supposed to have been incendiary. An attempt was made to burn the place about two months ago. The loss is estimated at \$1,000. Rev. Blake Kettle is pastor of the church.

The state auditor finds that there are now 5,440 state pensioners. The number of soldier pensioners is 117 greater than it was last year, while that of widows is 59 less, so the net increase is 58. The 131 first class pensioners will get \$75 this year, the 272 second class \$54, the 233 third class \$36, the 1,963 fourth class \$18 and the 2,681 widows \$18 each.

Joe Martin, a 30 year penitentiary convict, who escaped last January from the State farm at Halifax, was recaptured and brought back to the penitentiary by an ex-guard, Mr. J. A. Lowry, who meeting Martin in Hamlet recognized and arrested him. Martin, who is a white man, was sentenced about eight years ago for highway robbery in Wake Superior Court.

There seems to be existing some strife among Wake county Democrats over the sharing of "pie." The younger element object to the reinstatement of those who held office under former administrations while the moss-backs don't want to be side-tracked for the younger voters. Either way it is a scramble for "pie" and the hungry must be fed—though no one would think the Democrats had any pie hunters the way they criticized an office holder under Populism.

## PILES

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## COUNTY SUPERVISORS MEETING.

The annual session of the County Supervisors of Public Schools of North Carolina will meet at Raleigh, N. C., in the House of Representatives Dec. 27th and 28th, 1898. An interesting and instructive program has been outlined. The committee is now sending out the program and state: "It is our privilege to present you herewith our Programme of Exercises for the Second Annual Session of the Association of County Supervisors, for the year 1898. Most earnestly we urge every Supervisor to attend this meeting."

"There are matters of the greatest moment for us to consider, and we need a full representation of our body to advise in regard to these things."

"Bring a large delegation of your public school teachers and committeemen with you, if possible."

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## A CORRECTION.

In the issue of Oct. 27, 1898, The Caucasian published a statement of Gates county finances over the signature of Lycurgus Hoffer, Register of Deeds for Gates county. It appears that the article in question was false and that the statement had been added to and some of the original omitted. The Caucasian takes pleasure in correcting the statement from a circular letter sent out by Mr. Hoffer.

TO THE PEOPLE OF GATES COUNTY.

It becomes my duty, as your Register of Deeds, to expose the vilest conspiracy, falsehoods, slander and forgery ever perpetrated in Gates County. On or about the 14th of October, 1898, George J. Costen, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners and candidate on the Fusion ticket for re-election, and William L. Rogers, Treasurer of Gates County and Fusion candidate for re-election, came into my office to examine the Records of the Board of Commissioners to ascertain, as they stated, the aggregate amount of orders issued by the former Board of Commissioners for certain years, and also the amount of County Taxes for those years.

I assisted them in examining the records and they made out a statement showing the aggregate amount of County orders issued each year from 1892 to 1897, and the County Taxes from 1892 to 1897, inclusive, as shown by the Abstracts of Listed Taxpayers, less the amounts allowed for insolvent and delinquent taxes. They then made out a statement of the County Taxes from 1892 to 1897, inclusive.

On the 17th of October, 1898, George J. Costen came into my office and requested, I gave him a certified statement of the amount of the orders issued by the Board of County Commissioners from December 1st, 1892, to December 1st, 1897, and the County Taxes from 1892 to 1897, inclusive, as shown by the Abstracts of Listed Taxpayers, less the amounts allowed for insolvent and delinquent taxes.

But it is now evident that their purpose was to accomplish a foul trick to deceive the people, in order to injure the other Democratic candidates and myself in the coming election. For if they had wished to examine into the financial condition of the County for those years, the entire record of the settlements between the Sheriff and the Treasurer, and between the Treasurer and the County Commissioners, was in my office at the time, subject to their inspection, which shows a clean balance sheet from year to year and every cent of the Taxes for the whole time is fully accounted for.

But to my surprise and mortification, a few days after the certified statement above mentioned, had left my office, false and slanderous reports were circulated all over the county, to the effect that I had misappropriated, and that the former Board of Commissioners had failed to account for \$3,544.34 of the County Taxes for four years. It is true that the difference between the Taxes and the County orders for those four years, according to the said certified statement, was that identical sum.

But that does not show that any part of the said Taxes have not been accounted for.

Because there are various items of expense, such as Sheriff's commissions, Treasurer's commissions, Jury Tickets, etc., which are not paid by orders of the County Commissioners, and for that reason there is always a discrepancy between the amount of County Taxes and the amount of County Orders issued for any year.

The same is true with respect to the present Board of Commissioners. The said George J. Costen and William L. Rogers are in a position to know that such is the case, and their conduct in this matter is utterly inexcusable.

We now come to the next act in the conspiracy. John Brady, with a salary of \$75 per month and expenses, paid by the Fusion Board of Agriculture, ostensibly as a Fertilizer Inspector, but really to adjust fusion between Populists and Republicans, for sixty days during this campaign, has had printed and circulated all over the County what purports to be a copy of the certified statement which I gave to George J. Costen, as above mentioned.

The said statement does not contain all the statement that I made; but worse than that, it also contains, over my signature, words and figures which I did not make, and a copy of the paper which I reserved will show.

I am advised that the material alteration of a paper over another's signature is forgery; and I state that the parts of the said printed slip, over my signature, which do not appear in my statement are as follows, to-wit: "To the Tax Payers of Gates County."

"The following report is submitted for your consideration. 1. 'Balance due County. - \$1544.34.' I did not state that there was any balance due to the County and could not so state without stating a falsehood, for my record which I have made with my own hand for the last eight years, shows that all the Taxes for the four years mentioned, except a small amount involved in a suit now pending in the Superior Court, have been fully accounted for; and he who states to the contrary is a liar and a slanderer."

The present Board of County Commissioners, a majority of whom are Fusionists and are responsible for the acts of the Board, have by their mismanagement and extravagance accumulated a debt of over Two Thousand Dollars against the County, most of which is a bonded debt bearing interest, and the presumption is that the Fusion bosses have made these false and slanderous charges in order to divert the minds of the people from their own shortcomings and wrongdoings.

But slander, conspiracy and forgery against public officials must not be tolerated; and in this instance the guilty parties, their aiders and abettors, shall be prosecuted both civilly and criminally to the full extent of the law.

I appeal to all good people of Gates County to set their seal of disapprobation upon such disreputable methods for political ends. Respectfully, LYCURGUS HOFFER.

# STATE NEWS.

Two Caswell county farmers while returning from Danville, Va., after selling their tobacco, were robbed by highwaymen. A posse went in pursuit of the robbers, but eluded arrest.

The Salisbury Sun learns that a company has been organized at Rock, Rowan county, for the purpose of putting up a furniture factory. The surrounding country abounds in timber suitable for all kinds of hardwood work.

Two young men giving their names as Charles and Edward Goldberg, of Salem, N. C., were arrested Saturday for burglary in Washington, D. C. One is seventeen and the other fourteen years of age.

The timber lands of Beaufort county and adjacent territory will largely be converted into sawed and dressed lumber, it seems. Three large lumber companies, in addition to those already in existence, have been incorporated within a week to do business in that county.

## GENERAL NEWS BRIEFS.

The Official Gazette publishes a decree accepting the resignation of Captain General Blanco, which was soon after the surrender of Santiago.

It is said that friends of General Fred. D. Grant in Porto Rico are pressing his claims to be named as military governor of the island to succeed General Brooke, who will come home in January.

The six thousand cotton mill operators at Augusta, Ga., are likely to lose their fight against a reduction in wages because of a lack of organization and of money.

## TO WIPE OUT POSTAL DEFICITS.

While the government did not go into the business of carrying the mails as a money making enterprise, says the Chicago Times-Herald, there is no economic argument in favor of maintaining the Postoffice Department at an annual loss of \$12,000,000.

The principal reason why the Fifty fifth Congress did not enact modifications in the postal laws that would wipe out the annual postal deficit and prevent the abuses that have resulted in heavy losses of postal revenues was largely due to a disagreement regarding the exact sources of these losses.

The Postoffice Department should at least pay expenses. Until the transportation and distribution of mails is put upon a paying basis it cannot be regarded as a successful branch of the governments business. There is no economic sense in reducing rates for postage and then compelling the people to make a deficit through taxation. It is highly probable that the present rates for first, second, third and fourth class mail matter are ample to yield adequate revenues if the business of the department is economically administered and the abuses of the second-class mail privileges are corrected by legislation.—Baltimore Sun.

## ASTHMA CAN BE CURED

A NOTED PHYSICIAN WILL PROVE THIS TO SUFFERERS IN RALEIGH.

The progress of modern medical science has led to the discovery of successful methods of treatment for most of those maladies once regarded as incurable. Asthma has always been regarded as belonging to this obstinate class baffling the skill of the greatest physicians. Thousands of sufferers know by their own experience that little, if any, relief has been afforded them by the methods heretofore employed. Dr. Rudolph Schiffman the noted physician has, after a life-long study of Asthma and kindred diseases, discovered a remedy which not only gives instant relief in the severest cases of Asthma, Hay Fever and Bronchitis, but has actually cured thousands whose cases had been pronounced incurable. So complete is his confidence in his remedy, that he dares to overcome the skepticism of the public growing out of the failure of other remedies. Dr. Schiffman requests this paper to announce that for the next three days he offers a liberal sample box of "Schiffman's Asthma Cure" free of charge to all persons applying at J. H. Bobbitt's Drug Store, Fayetteville & S. Market Sts. He believes that an actual test will be the most convincing, and in fact the only way to overcome the natural prejudice of thousands of Asthmatics who have heretofore sought relief in vain. Persons living out of town will receive a package free, postpaid, by writing direct to Dr. R. Schiffman, 315 Rosabel St., St. Paul, Minn., before Dec. 15th, as no free samples can be obtained after that date. Send simply your name and address plainly written on a post card.

Democratic leaders in the interior of New York State are agitating for a new leader in place of Richard Croker and a change of methods which will restore the influence of the county districts in the party councils.

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## CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

The attorney-general has finished the summary of the criminal statistics for the two years ending June 30, 1898. The figures for the last two years are as follows: There were 9,729 actions, of which 9,011 were against males, 718 against females, 5,015 against whites and 4,672 against negroes, 42 against Indians. This shows an undue proportion of crime among negroes. No less than 48 per cent. of it was among that race, while in actual proportion the races are as two to one, there being 1,200,000 whites and 600,000 negroes. Of the 9,729 persons tried 6,238 were convicted. Of the greater crimes, 18 were tried for burglary in the first degree, 21 in the second degree, 10 for arson, 23 for rape, 27 for assault to commit rape, 45 for murder in the first degree, 24 in the second degree. For slander 43 were tried, 19 for bigamy, 53 for forgery, 399 for gambling, 8 for incest, 24 for housebreaking, 7 for libel, 57 for perjury, 3 for riot, 12 for robbery.

While Mr. Shelor, of Gastonia, was at Gaffney, S. C., a few days ago searching for Phons Rhyne, the negro who killed Mr. T. G. Falls, of Gaston county, he ran across a negro whom he thought might be the man wanted. The negro fled and after calling on him three times to halt Mr. Shelor fired on him twice. One shot took effect and the negro, who was not the man wanted and was not guilty of any offense so far as known, died from the effects of the wound a few days later. Mr. Shelor was exonerated by the coroner's jury.—Asheville Gazette.

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## ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Charleston, S. C., Nov. 24.—The annual meeting of the Atlantic Coast Line Road of South Carolina and of the Charleston and Western Carolina Road was held at the offices of the former company in this city to-day. All the old officers and directors of the two companies were re-elected, and the reports read indicated that the properties were being well and profitably handled.

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## STATEMENT.

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DEEDS, WAKE COUNTY, Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 25th, 1898.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 713, of The Code, the following statement showing items and nature of all compensation audited by the Board of Commissioners of Wake County to the members thereof severally from December 1st, 1897, to November 30th, 1898, both inclusive, is submitted to the public:

J. B. Hill, Chairman, 36 days Commissioner at \$3.00 \$108.00

6 days Committee work at \$3.00 18.00

Total, \$126.00

Rufus Barbee, 32 days Commissioner at \$3.00 \$96.00

2 days Committee work at \$3.00 6.00

364 miles traveled at 5c 18.20

Total, \$120.20

W. H. Chamblee, 33 days Commissioner at \$3.00 \$99.00

6 days Committee work at \$3.00 18.00

548 miles travelled at 5c, 27.40

Total, \$144.40

Total number of days the Board was in session 36

Total number of miles traveled, 912

Total amount paid \$380.60

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing statement.

JOSEPH J. ROGERS, Register of Deeds, Ex Officio Clerk B'd Co. Com.

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